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COUNTRY Czechoslovakia REPORT NO. 25X1A

TOPIC Chab Airfield  
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1. The airfield northeast of the Chab (N 51/P 37) railroad station was about 1 x 1 1/2 km. It was an old military airfield which was partially destroyed during WW II and has been reconstructed since 1949. There has been no expansion work at the field. 25X1
2. There was a concrete runway, a taxiway, and a drainage system. Four hangars which had been partially destroyed by bombs were being razed. They were allegedly to be reconstructed. 25X1
3. In mid-June 1950 the field was occupied by four Me aircraft of Gustav type Czech construction, allegedly constructed in Kunovice (P 50/O 24), and one Fieseler Storch. 25X1
4. From conversations in the Aeroclub it was learned that the Czech Air Force used the following aircraft types:
  - a. German: Improved Me-109 Fs, Me-262s, improved Me-111s, Arados, and Bockers as trainers. Fieseler Storchs, allegedly with radial engines, were manufactured and exported.
  - b. British: Meteors with two radial engines, Spitfires, single-seater fighters.
  - c. Soviet: Yaks, La-7s, and Pe-2s. 25X1
5. The aircraft plants in Chocen (O 51/W 09) and Zlin (P 50/O 21) constructed only heavy type aircraft. The specialized construction of small planes was abandoned. 25X1
6. The Kosice (R 49/E 34) airfield is being expanded. 25X1

Comments.

- (1) The report indicates that no large-scale construction work is being done at the field. 25X1A

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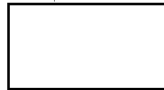
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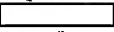
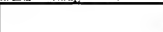
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- (2) The aircraft presumably belong to the SSB Air Force and are occasionally used for border control flights.
- (3) The aircraft types reportedly used by the Czechoslovakian Air Force agree with previous information. British types used also include Mosquitos. It is noteworthy that no new Soviet aircraft, such as IL-12s, jet fighters, and four-engine bombers were mentioned. According to press reports, such type aircraft arrived in Czechoslovakia in early 1950.
- (4) First report that the construction of small aircraft was given up in the two aircraft plants.
- (5) Expansion work at the Kosice airfield was previously reported. See  It cannot be determined whether the arrival of a Soviet Air Force commission, which was previously reported, has any connection with the expansion work, but this is possible. 

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